

## IEPA Loan Applicant Environmental Checklist

Loan Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

L17#: \_\_\_\_\_

**Checklist must be signed by loan applicant's Authorized Representative (not engineering consultant)  
ALL loan applicants must provide items 1 and 2 below – Items 3-6 are specific to conditions of project.**

1) National Historic Preservation Act, Section 106 sign-off:

**Circle one:**      **Attached**                      **OR**                      **Date requested** \_\_\_\_\_

2) Provide record of consultation with Illinois Department of Natural Resources Office of Realty and Environmental Planning regarding compliance with Illinois Endangered Species Protection Act, Illinois Natural Areas Preservation Act and Illinois Interagency Wetlands Protection Act.

**Circle one:** **EcoCAT printout**              **DNR Letter**              **Date DNR consultation requested:** \_\_\_\_\_

**OR Project is exempt from consultation per Title 17 Ill. Adm. Code Parts 1075 and 1090. If this is selected, an explanation must be attached. Exemption is rare.**

3) \_\_\_\_ **Yes** \_\_\_\_ **No**      Project involves construction in or near a stream bank (includes stream/river crossing), floodway and/or wetland.

**IF YES:** By signing below applicant certifies they will comply with the Rivers, Lakes & Streams Act.

**IF YES:** Comments from the Army Corps of Engineers are required:

**Circle one:**      **Attached**              **OR**                      **Date requested** \_\_\_\_\_

4) \_\_\_\_ **Yes** \_\_\_\_ **No**      Project involves conversion of prime agricultural land to other uses.

**IF YES:** Description and map of the area to be converted along with a discussion of the necessity of utilizing prime agricultural land for the project must be provided in planning.

5) \_\_\_\_ **Yes** \_\_\_\_ **No**      Project includes growth resulting in more than a 30% reserve capacity in the present or proposed service.

**IF YES:** Prior to planning approval a detailed discussion in the planning documents must be provided documenting potential secondary impacts of the proposed project.

### WASTEWATER PROJECTS ONLY

6) \_\_\_\_ **Yes** \_\_\_\_ **No**      Project is within jurisdiction of a designated Water Quality Management Agency such as Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP), Greater Egypt Regional Planning & Development Commission (GERPDC) or Southwestern Illinois Planning Commission (SIPC).

**IF YES to CMAP:** IEPA will forward information to CMAP for comments. No further action is required.

**IF YES to GERPDC or SIPC:** Comments from the appropriate agency regarding the project, growth projections and Facility Planning Area (FPA) modifications (if applicable) are required.

**Circle one:**      **Attached**              **OR**                      **Date requested** \_\_\_\_\_

7) \_\_\_\_ **Yes** \_\_\_\_ **No**      A change in the Facility Planning Area (FPA) is proposed.

**IF YES:** Comments from Illinois Department of Agriculture regarding the FPA change are required.

**Circle one:**      **Attached**              **OR**                      **Date requested** \_\_\_\_\_

Specific contact information for the various offices and agencies which must be contacted, as well as the sources for further information, is detailed within the instruction guide for this checklist.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Loan Applicant's Authorized Representative

## IEPA Loan Applicant Environmental Checklist – Instructions

Prior to Project/Facility Plan approval, a loan applicant must satisfy the IEPA that it will comply with various State and Federal enactments for protection of historical/cultural resources, recreational areas, wetlands, floodplains and stream banks, rare and endangered species, prime agricultural land, air and water quality and other sensitive environmental areas. This requirement can be satisfied by providing the information required on this IEPA checklist. **The checklist must be submitted to IEPA and signed by the loan applicant's Authorized Representative.** Instructions for completing the checklist follow.

### 1) **Historical/Cultural Resources - National Historic Preservation Act, Section 106**

A sign-off from the Illinois Historic Preservation Agency's (IHPA) State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO) must be submitted. In requesting a sign-off, you must indicate that the project will be funded through the IEPA loan program and therefore will require a federal Section 106 Sign-off (this will also satisfy the State Agency Historic Preservation Protection Act of 1990). The sign-off may be unconditional, or it may be conditional upon the applicant agreeing to incorporate measures to protect or recover historic or archeological resources.

More information via the internet: [www.illinoishistory.gov/ps/rcdocument.htm](http://www.illinoishistory.gov/ps/rcdocument.htm)

Direct the request for SHPO review to: Illinois State Historic Preservation Agency

Attn: **(\*See list below for appropriate person)**

Preservation Services Division

1 Old State Capitol

Springfield, Illinois 62701

#### **\*DAVID HALPIN**

Adams, Boone, Brown, Bureau, Carroll, Cass, DeKalb, DeWitt, Ford, Fulton, Grundy, Hancock, Henderson, Henry, Iroquois, Jo Daviess, Kane, Kankakee, Kendall, Knox, LaSalle, Lee, Livingston, Logan, Marshall, Mason, McDonough, McHenry, McLean, Menard, Mercer, Ogle, Peoria, Piatt, Putnam, Rock Island, Schuyler, Stark, Stephenson, Tazewell, Warren, Whiteside, Will, Winnebago, Woodford.

#### **\*JOE PHILLIPPE**

Alexander, Bond, Calhoun, Champaign, Christian, Clark, Clay, Clinton, Coles, Cook, Crawford, Cumberland, Douglas, DuPage, Edgar, Edwards, Effingham, Fayette, Franklin, Gallatin, Greene, Hardin, Hamilton, Jackson, Jasper, Jefferson, Jersey, Johnson, Lake, Lawrence, Macon, Macoupin, Madison, Marion, Massac, Monroe, Montgomery, Morgan, Moultrie, Perry, Pike, Pope, Pulaski, Randolph, Richland, Saline, Sangamon, Scott, Shelby, St. Clair, Union, Vermilion, Wabash, Washington, Wayne, White, Williamson.

### 2) **Threatened & Endangered Species, Natural Areas, Wetlands - Illinois Endangered Species Protection Act, Illinois Natural Areas Preservation Act, Illinois Interagency Wetland Policy Act**

If the project will result in a change in existing environmental conditions per Title 17 Ill. Adm. Code Section 1075.30(a) or result in an adverse impact to a wetland per Section 1090.20, it must be reviewed by the Illinois Department of Natural Resources (IDNR) Office of Realty and Environmental Planning for potential adverse effects to protected natural resources. (NOTE: IDNR reviews are **not** required for equipment purchase or replacement, or rehabilitation of existing structures) Loan applicants should submit the project via IDNR's EcoCAT website at: <http://dnrecocat.state.il.us/ecopublic/>. Applicants must then provide to IEPA either:

- An EcoCAT review report which states that consultation under Part 1075 is terminated and that the wetland review under Part 1090 is terminated,
- A letter from IDNR terminating the 1075 consultation and the 1090 wetland review because adverse effects are unlikely, or
- A letter from IDNR detailing any measures which must be taken to avoid, minimize or mitigate adverse effects. These measures must be incorporated into the project specifications.

Loan applicants may contact IDNR in writing:

Illinois Department of Natural Resources  
Division of Ecosystems and Environment  
One Natural Resources Way  
Springfield, Illinois 62702-1271

### **3) Construction in Floodways, Wetlands, and on Stream Banks (including stream crossings)**

#### **Illinois Lakes, Rivers, and Streams Act & Section 404 of the Federal Clean Water Act**

Projects involving piping construction across defined waterways, or construction in floodways, wetlands, or any body of water, require the applicant to certify to IEPA that the project will comply with the Illinois Lakes, Rivers, and Streams Act. These same projects may ultimately also require a U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Section 404 Permit.

The requirements to receive a permit for work under the jurisdiction of IDNR – Office of Water Resources are available on the IDNR website at: <http://dnr.state.il.us/owr/resman/permitprogs.htm>

Or by writing: Illinois Department of Natural Resources – Office of Water Resources  
Division of Resource Management  
2050 West Stearns Road  
Bartlett, Illinois 60103  
847/608-3100  
(Projects in Cook, Lake, McHenry, DuPage, Kane and Will Counties)

Illinois Department of Natural Resources – Office of Water Resources  
Downstate Regulatory Programs Section  
One Natural Resources Way  
Springfield, Illinois 62702-1271  
217/782-3863  
(Projects in remainder of the State)

At the same time, comments should be sought from the Corps to determine whether a 404 Permit is needed. **Attachment A** to this guidance will provide you with a map and address to help you determine the appropriate Army Corps of Engineers District Office for your project.

### **4) Conversion of Prime Agricultural Land to Other Uses**

If the project involves conversion of prime agricultural land to other uses, a description and map of the area to be converted along with a discussion of the necessity of utilizing prime agricultural land for the project must be provided.

### **5) Secondary Environmental Impacts**

Projects which include an allowance for more than 30% reserve growth capacity in the present or projected service area must attach or include in planning documents a discussion of the potential secondary impacts of the proposed project(s) such as changes in the rate, density, type of development or use of open space, floodplain, or prime agricultural land. Also, the impacts of sensitive ecosystems due to induced growth must be evaluated and appropriate measures for mitigation proposed if necessary.

### **6) Designated Water Quality Management Agency (DWQMA) Consultation/Sign-off.**

This is applicable only to wastewater or sewer projects located in one of the DWQMA Areas (See **Attachment B** - applicable counties and contact info below). Loan applicants located in GERPDC or SIPC's jurisdiction should

contact their DWQMA to request comments on the scope of the proposed project and the future growth anticipated for the service area. IEPA will forward project information directly to CMAP for comments.

For projects which propose a change in a Facility Planning Area a sign-off must be obtained from the DWQMA, indicating that the proposed project is not in conflict with the Water Quality Management Plan. Request comments and sign-offs as necessary from the Agencies listed below.

Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP)  
233 South Wacker Drive  
Suite 800  
Chicago, Illinois 60606  
(312) 454-0400 FAX (312) 454-0411  
[www.chicagoareaplanning.org](http://www.chicagoareaplanning.org)

**Counties:** Cook, DuPage, Kane,  
Kendall, Lake, McHenry, Will

Greater Egypt Regional Planning & Development Commission  
3000 West DeYoung St.  
Suite 800B-3  
Marion, Illinois 62959  
(618) 997-9351 FAX (618) 997-9354

**Counties:** Franklin, Gallatin,  
Hamilton, Hardin, Jefferson  
Jackson, Perry, Pope, Saline  
Williamson

Southwestern Illinois Planning Commission  
2511 Vandalia Street  
Collinsville, Illinois 62234-5034  
(618) 344-4250 FAX (618) 344-4253

**Counties:** Bond, Clinton, Madison  
Monroe, Randolph, St. Clair,  
Washington

## **7) Proposed Change to Facility Planning Area Boundaries**

Consultation with the Illinois Department of Agriculture (IDOA) is required for wastewater projects requesting a change in the boundaries of a Facility Planning Area. Details on the information required by IDOA can be accessed on the internet at:

<http://www.agr.state.il.us/Environment/LandWater/FPAboundarychangerequest.pdf>

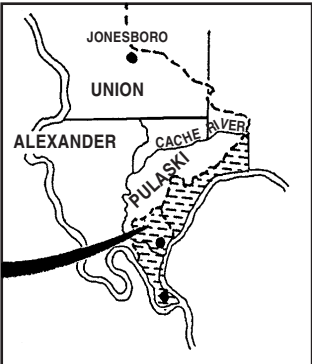
Or by writing or calling:

Illinois Department of Agriculture  
Bureau of Land and Water Resources  
P.O. Box 19281  
State Fairgrounds  
Springfield, IL 62794-9281

217-785-4389

**If you have any questions regarding this package, please contact the IEPA at 217/782-2027.**

## Attachment A





**Southwestern Illinois  
Planning Commission  
Counties: Bond, Clinton,  
Madison, Monroe,  
Randolph, St. Clair,  
Washington**

**Greater Egypt Regional Planning &  
Development Commission  
Counties: Franklin, Jackson,  
Jefferson, Perry, Williamson**

